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DECISION

Gary Mullard
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Plan of Operations Modification Approved

The Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Salt Lake Field Office has completed the review of your mine plan modification for the Turquoise Stone Quarry. An environmental assessment was prepared to analyze the impacts of the proposed operations. The BLM case file number for the Turquoise Stone Quarry plan of operations is U-69380.

The BLM Salt Lake Field Office has completed the review of your mine plan modification for the Turquoise Stone Quarry and determined the document is technically adequate and the proposed use and occupancy is reasonably incident to mining. Also, a bond adequacy determination has been made and it concluded that the amount of your bond is adequate to cover your proposed operation at this time. A decision record has been issued for the associated environmental assessment (UT-020-2005-024). Concurrence is hereby granted, according to federal regulations in 43 CFR 3715.3-4, to proceed with the proposed use and occupancy. Approval is hereby granted, according to federal regulations in 43 CFR 3809.411(d) (2), to proceed with the proposed operations. The plan of operations modification is approved subject to the following stipulations:

1. Any growth medium (soil) would be stockpiled and only be used for reclamation of the disturbed areas.
2. Mining activities will consist solely on what is contained in this approved plan of operations modification. Any additional mining activities on public lands would need to be approved prior to their occurrence.
3. Access to the mine will be on existing roads, no new roads would be constructed for the proposed action.
4. The operator will secure all mining equipment during non-operational periods and leave the mine site in a safe condition for the public, livestock and wildlife.

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5. The operator shall be responsible for implementing all environmental protection measures, mitigation measures and monitoring requirements identified in the in the associated environmental assessment and decision record.
6. The operator shall be responsible for all suppression cost for any fire resulting from their operations and practices.

This decision does not constitute: certification of ownership to any persons or company named in your plan of operations; recognition of the validity of any mining claims named in your plan of operations; or recognition of the economic feasibility of the operations proposed.

The operator has the right to appeal this decision to the State Director, Utah State Office, BLM, in accordance with the provisions in Title 43 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Subpart 3809.8. If an appeal is taken, the notice of appeal must be filed in this office at 2370 South, 2300 West, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84119 within thirty (30) days from receipt of this decision.

Do not send the notice of appeal to the State Director. The appeal and the case history will be sent to the State Director from this office. The appeal to the State Director must contain: 1) the name and mailing address of the appellant; 2) when applicable, the name of the mining claim(s) and serial number(s) assigned to the mining claim(s) recorded pursuant to Section 3833 of this title which are subject to appeal; and 3) a statement of reasons for appeal and any arguments the appellant wishes to present which would justify reversal or modification of the decision. To avoid summary dismissal of the appeal, there must be strict compliance with the regulations.

During the appeal to the State Director, all decisions from which the appeal is taken shall be effective during the pendency of the appeal.

If no appeal is taken, this decision constitutes final administrative action of this Department, as it affects the mining claim(s). No appeal, protest, or petition for reconsideration will be entertained from this decision after the appeal period has expired.

DAVID H. MURPHY

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cc: Lynn Kunzler, UDOGM